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*THE Mary Month is a blessed
one at Maryknoll, as it is in
every home of Catholic life. May
Our Lady obtain for all connected
with this work, including our
subscribers (without whom Mary-
knoll would not exist) a full measure
of special blessings!*

BANDITS, pirates, "squeeze"
alias "graft," floods, and
famine—these are all very com-
mon words used in the *North
China Herald* in almost every
issue. Our readers might as well
realize that China is just now in
an awful muddle, but when it is
recalled that the great masses of
its people are peace-loving and
industrious, intelligent, and at
heart religious, there is every
reason to look for changed con-
ditions soon.

Watch in your daily papers the
news from the Far East.

THIS is the season for voca-
tions to sprout where seeds
were sown. More than one priest
has said to the Superior of Mary-
knoll, "If there had been a
Foreign Mission Seminary when
I started out, I should have gone
to it."

Doubtless hundreds of voca-
tions for the foreign missions
have been lost for lack of an
American training-house, just as
hundreds of vocations to the
priesthood and to the religious
orders of men and women are
lost every year because an earnest
appeal has never reached out for
them.

Perhaps you who read these
lines have, unsuspected, a voca-
tion to the missions. If a suspi-

cion lurks in your mind—better,
if a hope-spark touches your
heart—say a prayer to the Holy
Ghost, and make the search.

THE Maryknoll Junior reveals
a source of strength which
we did not realize—the interest,
and better still, the fervent pray-
ers of thousands of young people
along the line from ocean to
ocean in these United States.

We are grateful for these pray-
ers, the effect of which we
should be indeed blind not to
note. And we urge our grown read-
ers to keep us likewise in mind.
We need money for some things
but we need prayers even to get
money—and besides the powerful
dollar there are a hundred needs
that can be met only by God's
direct help.

THE Sulpician Fathers in
America, to whom the or-
ganizers of Maryknoll and thou-
sands of other American priests
owe their seminary training, rich-
ly deserve the splendid tribute
given to them recently by His
Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons, in
these strong words:

I solemnly declare, with the true
sense of the responsibility of my words,
that Almighty God in His power,
mercy, and guidance, has never con-
ferred a greater blessing on the Church
in America than when he inspired
Bishop Carroll to invite the Sulpicians
to come to America, and inspired Fr.
Emery, Superior-General of the Sul-
picians, to comply with the Bishop's
request. The coming of these men has
been a singular benediction to the
country.

THE American Foreign Mis-
sion Seminary owes its early
progress, under God, to priests,

but we are pleased to say that in its more recent development the influence of religious women, especially of those who instruct young people, is rapidly proving a strong factor.

In many instances our sisters have been led into the broader field by the example of pastors who had broken down parochial walls and opened to their people the world-wide vision.

In the heart of many a sister there is burning today a desire to spread the Faith, but the desire has been kept down by traditions of narrowness, which she would break in a moment with the slightest encouragement.

This much is certain: when the day arrives that we can say with truth, "Every sister in this country loves the cause of foreign missions," there will be no lack of vocations or of money help to that great cause.

And the day of which we speak is dawning.

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We need a dozen new subscribers a day to make us feel that we are not going backward. May we look for a few from you some day next week?

* *

A PRIEST friend writes to ask why we do not say more in THE FIELD AFAR about vocations, and he wonders how we get so many and such good ones as we seem to have.

Our answer is that we are always talking vocations in THE FIELD AFAR, but we do so indirectly because we have an idea—perhaps it is not the best one—that for some needs the indirect method is the most effective.

And here is a recent example. A Vénard College boy died recently, and in answer to an inquiry regarding the influence that had attracted the youth to the missions his sister stated that as a pupil in the Sacred Heart Academy she had subscribed to THE FIELD AFAR, which was sent to her home, and that her brother, becoming attached to it, had found in it inspiration to offer



THE IMMACULATE MOTHER IN CHINA

himself for the foreign missions. The boy's holy ambition was not realized, but in presence of death he offered his young life for the missions and in particular that God might call many other American boys into this great work for souls.

* *

ORGANIZE! Organize!—this is the cry of the day. The war appeals produced undreamed of results. A minority has swept this country with a dry wave (is this a bull?). Organization was back of both movements, and the object lesson has started Catholics out of a seeming apathy.

The Knights of Columbus have gone on to higher ground and enjoy a wide horizon with ambitions to reach greater heights. The National War Council promises to develop into a Committee on Catholic Activities, capable of great accomplishment.

The nations have been organizing for peace and every decent man hopes for good and lasting results, but peace and true liberty, of which it is the fruit, depend on subjection to God and to the authority which is from God; and to Catholics above all

will belong the credit of saving the nation and the world from atheism and all its hideous and revolting consequences.

Every Catholic should encourage organization of the Church's forces and he should do so "until it hurts." Catholics can never go back to passive cooperation with the Church's movements. The powers of hell are active and must be met by organization.

* *

THE Student Mission Movement is spreading to colleges and academies for Catholic young women and this is a good sign.

So far as we know there is no union of Catholic young women students, with the exception of the *Catholic Alumnae*, who, as the name signifies, are made up of "X's,"—not unknown quantities all.

Perhaps the mission cause will unite the scattered forces and establish cordial relations among Catholic young women students that will mean much for the *Alumnae* and for generations to come. The college or academy that senses the true spirit of Catholicity will not stand aloof.

An earnest young worker writes to Maryknoll of a hope to see such a union realized, and while the motive she brings forward is not the highest it is actuated by a better one—and is worth recording:

If a central organization of women's colleges existed, each individual college would feel the stimulation of being part of a big movement. At present we are all isolated units, doing well in our own way but capable of greater things. When a foreign mission society has no relations with any outside organizations not all the students feel called on to cooperate in the work; but as soon as such a society enters into relations with other colleges then the students are touched in their college loyalty and will go to great lengths to help make their Alma Mater preëminent. I have had some experience in this and think I am not overdrawing it.

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Candidates for Maryknoll or for the Vénard Apostolic College should make application now for admission in September.

A Few Notes.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Christian Brothers who have lived to witness the second centenary of the death of their saintly founder, John Baptist de la Salle!

If some priest reader has an extra set of reformed breviaries, one of our aspirant subdeacons will be glad to get them and promises a remembrance of his benefactor.

To R. C. Gleaner of the *Catholic Columbian*, the proposed gigantic Protestant drive "for the betterment of social conditions everywhere" suggests a strong word on Catholics and Foreign Missions—and a very appreciative review of a recent Maryknoll book, *For the Faith*, the life of Just de Bretenières.

Scores of Catholic missionaries who read English even though they cannot speak it are asking us to send them *THE FIELD AFAR*. We have no funds for this purpose, but we never refuse such requests. This announcement is for you, dear missionary without a sou, and for friends at home who will gladly help us to meet such a need.

The Diocese of Albany Report for the Propagation of the Faith makes interesting reading and, as usual, the report is one of progress, notwithstanding the multiplied appeals to patriotic giving.

The result was over \$46,000—an increase of \$11,000 over the preceding year. Fr. Glavin, the Director, is also pastor of St. John's Church, Rensselaer.

Texas is a large state but we did not realize until lately that it has so many large-hearted Catholics who think and talk about the Church's world-wide work. Newspaper clippings, coming to us from anonymous sources, locate the special center of this interest at Austin. Among these clippings are two especially

strong: one a *Five-Minute Sermon* delivered by a Paulist Father; the other a long letter signed "An American Catholic Woman" and entitled "Our Other Boys Over There."

In one month recently three thousand bills were prepared at Maryknoll and sent out to delinquent subscribers. Calculate the time, trouble, and expense involved. Then make a resolution, if you were one of the delinquents or if you are liable to be classed as one.

The Very Rev. Fr. Delmas, Superior of the Paris Foreign Missions, gave an illuminating discourse some weeks ago at the meeting of the *Dames de l'Oeuvre des Partants*, Paris ladies who are devoted to the work of outfitting missionaries on the occasion of their departure for the Far East.

Fr. Delmas made a strong plea for a greater development of the native clergy and urged the ladies to extend their beneficence, which is now limited to a diminished supply of European missionaries.

Fr. O'Gorman, C. M., on his way from Ireland to China stopped at Maryknoll long enough to catch a glimpse of the National Seminary and to kindle in our future apostles an added spark of missionary zeal. Fr. O'Gorman and his two companions, also Irish Lazarists, are bound for Peking and will be the first English-speaking priests to reside in that city. They will be warmly welcomed, for up to the present Bishop Jarlin has had only French priests to take care of his rapidly growing flock of English-speaking people in Peking.

Membership in the Catholic Foreign Mission Society may be secured for one year by the payment of fifty cents. Such membership, with its many spiritual helps, is applicable to the living or the dead. As special certificates are prepared in each case it should be stated whether the person to be enrolled is living or not.

Associate members, living or dead, share in over one thousand Masses yearly, thousands of Communion and the prayers, sacrifices, and labors of all engaged in this work.

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Can you think of any better—do you know of any cheaper—than those that come from Maryknoll?

"Send us anything and everything published at Maryknoll. We like the matter and the form—Always. And the more you get out the better we shall be pleased."

So writes the head of a widely-known educational establishment, and we appreciate the encouragement. We can add that similar expressions of interest have come from educators—priests, brothers, and nuns—in all portions of the country and from other English-speaking lands.

Our one regret is that we cannot add considerably to our list. Time has been lacking. Below is a list of what we have and what we carry from other sources of supply. It is not at all too early now to consider premiums, because editions may become exhausted and new editions cannot be prepared in a hurry. All Maryknoll books are sold even to individual purchasers with no regard for direct profit—but a slight margin enables us to give further reductions when our books are ordered in quantities.

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CONSIDER THE FIELD AFAR a ray of sunshine in any home and an inspiration for good to all who read it. —Mass.

I wouldn't give up THE FIELD AFAR for the whole world! —N.Y.C.

THE FIELD AFAR is the cheeriest Catholic paper I have ever taken. —Mass.

Dear Field Afar:

No matter how hard the times, a way must always be found to have you in our home. —Minn.

THE FIELD AFAR is a splendid publication, which is doing the most serious work in a happy way. —Conn.

I love THE FIELD AFAR and enjoy reading it and I always send it to some friends in the country. —Pa.

THE FIELD AFAR is worth its weight in gold! How grand, and how right, it would be if it could be found in the home of every Catholic family! —Ia.

THE FIELD AFAR is very near my heart. I assure you I always feel more and more interested in it every time. —N.Y.

The enclosed check which I received for Christmas is to pay for the sunny FIELD AFAR, to be sent to cheer up some lonely missionary with its good-natured Christian spirit. —Ga.

I am slow in sending my renewal, but believe me, I do not wish to be dropped. When I get so far down that I must give up subscribing to Catholic magazines, THE FIELD AFAR will be the last one that I shall stop. —Mass.

Just discovered the index-finger in the last issue of THE FIELD AFAR.

That means, "I hear you calling me," as John McCormack sings. I am therefore enclosing a check for one dollar. I have surely had my money's worth since subscribing. —Pa.

The last FIELD AFAR is as bright and interesting as all its predecessors.

It is a great privilege to receive the news of the missions and our fervent supplications are joined to the prayers at Maryknoll for God's choicest blessings on your great work. —Ill.

I hope you have not crossed my name off your list for not attending sooner to my renewal. I should never want that to happen! Enclosed is my subscription, and I am very proud to think that I can do my bit for the great work which you are carrying on. —N.J.

Rev. John I. Lane.

SHORTLY after the organizers of Maryknoll began their work in the village of Hawthorne, N. Y., an invalid priest offered to give them help, which they were glad to accept. This priest was



FATHER LANE AT MARYKNOLL

the Rev. John I. Lane of Boston, who, as chaplain of the Daly Industrial School, had already been keenly interested in the beginnings of THE FIELD AFAR and as *Father Ignatius* wrote for our young readers.

At that time Fr. Lane was not in a position to join the new organ-

ization, but he served it at Hawthorne, at Ossining, and in Scranton, covering a period of about three years, when he returned to his diocese to take a position as chaplain in St. Elizabeth's hospital.

He had hardly begun his work, however, when he was obliged to give it up, and from that time until his death, which occurred in April at St. Agnes' Hospital, Baltimore, he had been a confirmed cripple.

Fr. Lane had learned to love Maryknoll and longed to return, hoping, indeed, to do so up to within a few months of his death. In this hope he asked to be admitted as priest of the Society and was received as such by the Superior of Maryknoll, a life-long friend, who went to Baltimore for the purpose.

Fr. Lane had a very lovable personality and made friends wherever he went. His faith was as simple as a child's. May Jesus have mercy on the pure soul of this long-suffering and patient priest! Please pray for him.

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WHILE we at the Maryknolls were commemorating that young client of Our Blessed Mother, Théophile Vénard, we find that a French priest who succeeded the martyr's venerable brother, Eusebius, as pastor of Assais was training his guns on us and on our friends.

His aim, however, was peaceful; it was not to demolish, but to build. Briefly, it was to finish, at the martyr's birthplace, a small memorial chapel for which Fr. Eusebius had provided plans and which he had already begun.

As usual with nearly all our French confrères, Fr. Bellot, the good Curé, thinks that "it is easy" for us to find some good benefactor to help him. He does not know that American Catholic enterprises are sustained by the many who have little rather than the rich few, and that organization, tirelessly pushed, alone can bring results. Great gifts to Catholic religious works are rare.

Perhaps Fr. Bellot will draw from the many American admirers of Théophane one rich gift for Bel-Air, where the apse of the memorial chapel now stands. Doubtless he would welcome such, but he would welcome even more the combined offerings of many lovers of the young martyr of Tongking, and Maryknoll will start the *Vénard Memorial in France Fund* with \$100.

That Protestant Drive.

OVERLAND and Overseas is the title of an attractively-designed pamphlet issued from New York by the *National Committee of Northern Baptist Laymen*. We quote a few sentences from the foreword:

Who can foresee the far-off interest of that investment which provides a Christian education for the next generation of Christian leaders? By what standard shall we measure the blessing which provides Christian wives and mothers for the homes of India and Japan? What voice can adequately tell the ultimate results of the Gospel effectively preached among the foreigners in our great industrial and agricultural centers?

Here is the task of Christendom. Today we have the opportunity. Tomorrow will be too late. There is no use blinking the facts.

Where heretofore we have thought in terms of tens or hundreds of dollars, we must this year rise to the plane of heroic giving and do our thinking in terms of hundreds and thousands of dollars. Storekeepers, artisans, and clerks must give their hundreds; lawyers, bankers, and merchants must give their thousands.

Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, and Episcopalians are engaged in far-reaching religious propaganda, the financial goal of which runs into hundreds of millions of dollars. Six millions is our financial goal this year. How far will you go? Go to the utmost limit. The privilege is yours. Build yourself into a finer humanity.

OBSERVATIONS IN THE ORIENT advertised in the *January Field Afar* to be sold for one dollar and a half, or one dollar with a subscription, has protested that it is worth more. And this is a fact, as our Treasurer assures us. Therefore, add fifty cents—and stir.

There is a golden opportunity, meeting an urgent need, for about four "live-wire" level-headed American priests who desire and can be freed for a few years of service in the Philippine Islands. Information will be sent on request.

Address:

The V. Rev. Superior at Maryknoll.

Americanized Chinese.

OCCASIONALLY we run across a small magazine called *The English Student*, published by *The Commercial Press* of Shanghai, China.

In a recent issue we noticed this suggestive paragraph:

About 100 Chinese students are returning from America from various universities and colleges. Among some of the prominent ones are: Mr. F. Y. Chang, Shangtung, B. A., L. L. B., Harvard, editor of the *Chinese Students' Monthly*, 1913-1914, president of the Chinese Students' Alliance in U. S. A., 1917-1918, member of the Harvard Diplomatic Club and other institutions; Mr. Stewart E. S. Yui, brother of Mr. David Z. T. Yui, Hupeh, editor-in-chief of the *Chinese Students' Monthly*, 1917-1918, and graduate student of Wisconsin and Columbia; Mr. H. L. Huang, Fukien, M. A., Princeton, Ph. D., Columbia, editor of the *Far Eastern Bulletin* and of the *Chinese Students' Monthly*, member of the P. B. K. Society and other organizations; Mr. H. G. Zen, Szechwan, M. A., Columbia, editor of *Science* and of the *Chinese Students' Quarterly*.

Many of these students were educated (at \$750 a year) through the generosity of the United States Government and if, as is the fact, there are no Catholics among them, our Government is not to blame. It looks as if we American Catholics had been sleeping. In any event we are beginning to awake to our opportunities.

Chinese students desiring American scholarships qualify first for entrance to a college near Peking, which was erected and is supported out of the Boxer Fund returned to China by the United States. Those who pass this

test are later privileged to come to the States for further studies.

Seventy-six young men were in the graduating class of 1918, all of whom decided, before leaving China, to enter colleges in the Middle West and the East. Three are taking up political science, but most of them are specializing in finance, economics, engineering, and the various applied sciences and industries. Nine are studying agriculture, poultry, and veterinary medicine. Others are training to be pharmacists, physicians or mining engineers.

Several young Chinese women also passed successful examinations and are now in this country.

On their way to America most of the men students stayed at the Y.M.C.A.; the women at the Y.W.C.A.

Mr. F. A. Reader,
Somewhere,
Any State.

WE are anxious for several reasons to make you acquainted with a particular set of our friends known as the *Stencils*.

One of these Stencils (we whisper lest we embarrass you) has been strongly impressed by your name—which he now carries with him continually. This Stencil is not worth much—and perhaps a nickel would cover his value in material goods.

He spends most of his time with other Stencils on a shelf in a long tin box, but at least once a month he is brought out to impress some kind of a message, usually a copy of *THE FIELD AFAR*, to be forwarded to you, his patron.

Mr. F. A. Reader—this is *your Stencil* and he seeks your recognition.

He is a prudent man who looks ahead and invests safely for the rainy day: he is wise who makes money do a twofold duty: he is spiritual who applies his money to the saving of souls for God. Be prudent; be wise; be spiritual. Ask for our ANNUITY blank.

About the Youngster.

YOU have probably not yet seen *The Maryknoll Junior*, but if you hold the youngster in your arms once you will not wish to let him go. The *Junior* talks like a little man and even as a lone grown-up you need not hesitate to send twenty-five cents to pay the cost of a monthly visit to your home. If there are young people under your roof you *must* ask him to visit you—at least once.

To this end send a post-card to

Fr. Chin
Maryknoll
Ossining P. O., N.Y.

and *The Maryknoll Junior* will appear at your door without any cost to you for the trial visit.

Here are what some are saying of the *Junior*:

Send the boy to me. I'll take him to school.
—Rev. Friend, Ia.

The children are charmed with the *Junior*. Send me eleven more copies a month.
—Wellesley, Mass.

I am better pleased with the *Junior* than with any paper I have seen in a long time.
—N.J.

We shall gladly have the *Junior* read in our classrooms and given to the children. We have twenty-three classes.
—Eliz., N.J.

Here is a check for eighty subscriptions for *The Maryknoll Junior*. We look forward to many happy moments among its pages.
—Orange, N.J.

I have distributed *The Maryknoll Junior* among the teachers and hope that the children will all become interested in foreign missions.
—Corona, L.I.

Many thanks for the copies of *The Maryknoll Junior* which you sent us. We shall be glad to have them read in the classrooms.
—Flushing, N.Y.

Your letter in reference to *The Maryknoll Junior* received. I shall be only too happy to give all the help possible to enlist the interest of our teachers and pupils in the great work of the foreign missions.
—Flushing, N.Y.

A small parish has taken upon itself the support of a Maryknoll mission catechist. This kind of cooperation is worth more to the cause than if the support came from a man of wealth.

From Our Yeungkongers.

MARYKNOLL waited anxiously for news of the safe arrival at Yeungkong of its "first four."

In the eyes of all it was an event of greater importance than their landing at Yokohama or in Canton. At length came the looked-for letters, in envelopes stamped with the familiar Chi-Rho and the words, *Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America*.

We reproduce from that of Fr. Price paragraphs which we are sure will interest our readers:

Yeungkong,
Dec. 21, 1918

Here we are at last, all of us—safe and sound and happy. We

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few days, when we get settled. At present we are all topsyturvy.

Fr. Gauthier is with us, engineering all things. We left Bishop de Guébriant in Canton Wednesday night, after receiving his blessing and good wishes.

Love from all here to all.
Thos. F. Price.



"A Christmas we never conceived of in our lives"

arrived at eleven o'clock last night, all worn-out; came in a sail boat the last 25 miles, as the captain of the Chinese junk refused to budge from where he was for another 24 hours or so. We thought of cabling our final and safe arrival but found it would cost us \$15.00, and so I am writing this at the first moment.

The whole place is much better than we had thought. The few Christians had festooned the front of the church to greet us, came to Mass, shot off fire-crackers in our honor, paid us a visit, and insisted on giving us a special dinner. I will write more at length in a

Church of Our Lady of Lourdes,
Yeungkong, China,
Dec. 28, 1918.

Since I wrote on Dec. 21, the day after our arrival, we have celebrated Christmas. Such a Christmas! a Christmas we never experienced nor conceived of in all our lives!

The Christians made a gala day of it, pouring in on Christmas Eve and all day during the feast in delegations from all the villages, celebrating both the feast and our arrival in one great out-pour. We had solemn Midnight Mass, Fr. Gauthier celebrating, and a Missa Cantata at 8 o'clock,

which I sang. Frs. Ford and Meyer formed the choir. The church was packed. All the Christians that could went to Holy Communion.

A Chinese band, hired by the Christians, played Chinese music nearly all day while the Christians shot off loads of fire-crackers. They insisted on giving us a banquet, which they were considerate enough to let our "boy" prepare—and such chickens, and ducks, and shrimps, and meats, etc., etc., etc., it would be difficult to match! All day long these good people flowed through the church and reception room and bed-rooms and office and kitchen and every nook and corner imaginable. Many had clubbed together, bought an ox and killed it, camping here on Christmas Eve and eating the ox with all concomitants on the feast the next day.

In the afternoon I had the happiness of baptizing our first pagan converts, two adults and two children, the fruit of work done by Fr. Gauthier. We had Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, at which I preached my first sermon to the Chinese, telling them of our happiness in coming to them, of what we hoped to do, and how we needed their co-operation. Fr. Gauthier translated my words, of which they had understood not one, and we concluded that they were much pleased. It was a great day, such as we will never again experience perhaps, and we thank God for it. Fr. Gauthier said the Christians were very happy and certainly we were.

We have now settled down to normal life, plugging on Chinese three or four hours every day. Frs. Walsh and Meyer form one class, having started a month earlier than Fr. Ford and I, who form the second class.

We are gradually getting acclimated and learning to adjust ourselves to things Chinese and to the many peculiarities of this part of the country. It is a

wonder how people can live here, with the stagnant water of the rice fields and numerous ponds on all sides. However, the local physician, an ordained Presbyterian minister, Dr. Ewers, says that the water will not hurt if one screens his house with wire and uses mosquito nets. There are besides ourselves only seven white people in the whole district and they are Protestant missionaries. They are well established, spending, it is said, \$30,000 a year on their mission work. They received us kindly.

The natives seem to be in the main very poor—poorer than the Cantonese of Canton, and more illiterate. At the present time they are unusually poor, having been looted both by the Northern and Southern armies a short time ago.

We are bottled up here, at least in a sense. Though Canton is not far away, about 200 miles or so by boat, it takes one week to make the trip and return. We have two boats a week to Canton and none to Hongkong, which is less distant. Mails are delivered at any old time whenever the Chinese feel like it, and they don't feel like it very often.

About the beginning of March two of us will go to Sunyi with a French priest now in charge of the mission. We will go over the ground with him and take up headquarters there. There are 600 Christians scattered throughout that district and they need attention. The above are the instructions of Bishop de Guébriant.

Affectionate greetings to all,
In C. I. C.,
T. F. Price.

He never says, "Stop it; I cannot afford it,
"I'm getting more papers than now I can read."

But always says: "Send it; our people all like it—"

"In fact, we all think it a help and a need."

—The Other Fellow

Do you notice that with paper and other requisites sky-high THE FIELD AFAR subscriptions price never budged?

If we can get more subscribers to renew promptly, we can keep it down to one dollar a year, even with added pages.

From Fr. Walsh:

We do not have an idle minute now, and we are doing no missionary work at all. Of course, we give considerable time to the language—from four to five hours a day—but no doubt we can find a corresponding amount of work to do after we have learned Chinese. At any rate, we are fairly well occupied at present—and it is a happy time, too, when we are getting our first impressions of the country and the people, and are waking up to the fact that we are at last actually on the Mission! We have to pinch ourselves occasionally to make sure that it is not just a nap out under the trees at Maryknoll—we dreamed it so often before, you know.

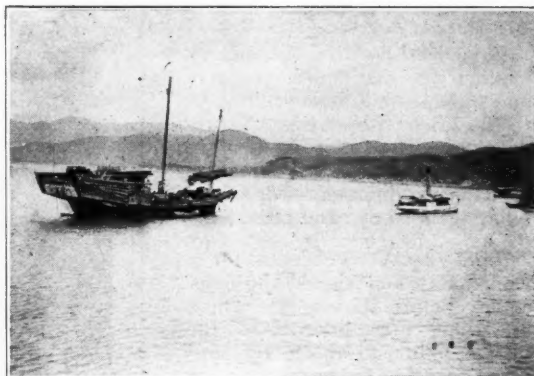
Today was mail day—to our great delight. All of us got something, and among the letters was one with the Maryknoll diary. Our mails in Yeungkong so far have been two, and those just a week apart. We are promised three deliveries a week, however, normally. Letters mean something over here, I must confess, and when the mail comes we are all like a bunch of kids.

Fr. Ford says that the chapel at Chungtingnam (don't try to pronounce or remember it if you are not interested) needs repairs to the extent of one hundred good dollars. At present it has no windows of any kind, and no kneeling benches (pews are not of the question), and it lacks one wall.

Candidates for Philosophy should have the necessary collegiate preparation (including Latin and Greek), a decided inclination for missions to the heathen, and the recommendation of a priest.



THE START FROM CANTON.
(Coolie at right carries missionaries' baggage.)



AS THEY TRAVELED TO YEUNGKONG ON A JUNK
TOWED BY A LAUNCH.



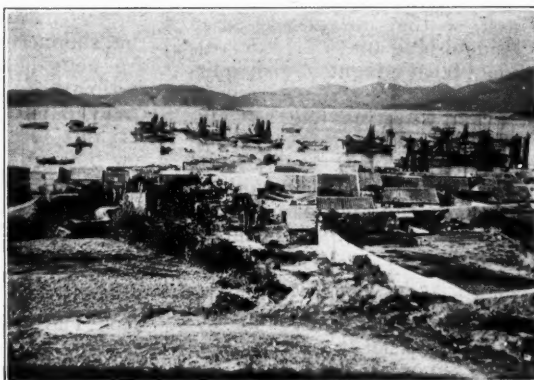
THE WHOLESALE FISH MARKET AT CANTON.



A RIVER LANDING ON THE DELTA.



REAR VIEW OF THE JUNK THAT BORE OUR TRAVELERS.



TAR HO—FIRST LANDING PLACE, TWENTY MILES
FROM YEUNGKONG.

CAUGHT BY THE CAMERAS OF MARYKNOLLERS ON THE WAY TO THEIR FIRST MISSION

Fr. Meyer's Log:

Jan. 7—Fr. Price is quietly looking over adjoining property and making indirect inquiries as to the price with an eye to future development. As it is now we have no room for such things as orphanages, dispensary, or school buildings for boys and girls.

Jan. 12—We went out for a walk today and visited the leper colony before spoken of. There are some fifty persons in the village, almost absolutely uncared for. The Government some years ago built them some houses of mud bricks and gave an allowance of fifteen cents monthly for each person, but since the recent troubles even this allowance has stopped and the necessarily short-lived houses are falling into ruin. The Protestants have been there with monetary help and a Chinese minister goes there every Sunday. He has baptized twenty-four persons. There is a similar leper village near the village of Pakwan.

Jan. 13—We are studying Chinese after the Chinese fashion, repeating our lesson after the teacher, over and over again, to train the ear to recognize the tones and the voice to reproduce them. These tones are not strictly musical sounds, but with their other qualities they have pitch, so that an ear trained in distinguishing musical intervals should be at advantage in acquiring the language. In one respect, however, we are not like the Chinese—we have not their memories. Still, we are very well pleased with the results of our work so far, and can make ourselves fairly well understood as far as our limited vocabulary allows.

Jan. 14—It would seem quite strange to most people, probably, in their first sight of the Chinese not to see any queues. Yet that is the fact—in the cities, at least, where every man has his hair close-clipped with perhaps a tuft in front, though this is more common among children and coolies. We



THE MARYKNOLL BUILDINGS AT YEUNGKONG
(The chapel is marked with a cross)

have seen a few queues, but only on countrymen and the old-fashioned, and these were worn wrapped around the head.

To date there were five baptisms of dying infants at the pagan orphanage. The caretaker sends someone to tell us when a child is dying and one of the women catechists goes to baptize them. For this she receives five cents each. Five cents to send a soul to heaven!

There are few deaths at this place, however, as it is rather a market than an orphanage. It was established by an association of merchants to receive the children of the very poor and is supported by contributions from the shopkeepers. The children are kept here and those more fortunate in goods of the world come to buy them—the girls as servants, or possibly wives, the few boys as adopted sons, where there are no boys in the family. The worst misfortune that could befall a Chinaman would be to die without leaving some one to perpetuate his name, and so adoption is quite a common practice. The lot of those who become servants is less enviable, as they are the absolute property of the purchaser. It should be said, however, that, under the Republic this has been forbidden, although at present the law is practically a dead letter.

Jan. 15—We took the day off to go to a wedding—in the first Christian family of Yeungkong. They live in a village some four miles away. Fr. Gauthier had gone the evening before to say the Mass and perform the ceremony while we came in time for dinner. On arriving we were ushered into the reception room and given tea, some sort of a thick drink with sugar in it, then more tea, and finally a bit of brown nut, done up in a pungent green leaf, that we were supposed to chew like tobacco. Then came the dinner, served to us in a separate room—the same, by the way, that Fr. Gauthier and his boy had slept in the night before. There was barely room enough for the table in the corner at the foot of the bed.

The meal was à la Chinese, chopsticks and all. There were at least twenty-five dishes, including birds' nest soup, sharks' fins, jellyfish, preserved eggs, rice wine, and other delicacies, not to mention the common things, like duck, chicken, and pork. The entrée included chunks

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of sugar-cane, water-melon, seeds, peanuts, cocoanut, and sugared pork. At a Chinese meal what we should consider the dessert always comes first. (These meals ought to be popular with the average boy.) We do not think that they served up dog—though it is considered something of a delicacy here—and while some of the names I have given may startle the average American a little, we found all on the whole rather tasty. The trouble with some people is that they eat with their imaginations, and prejudiced ones at that!

However, they don't have birds' nest soup and sharks' fins every day, even in China, and when we had finished, the host and his grandson, the groom, with the other men of the family, began salvage operations.

Fr. Price blessed the house a little later, and the bride, with her face covered with a heavy veil and guided by two other women, came in to salute us by kneeling twice before each. We would have prevented it if we could, but customs are not changed so quickly, and we were reminded how long it took the Church to raise woman to her proper position in Europe. Then Fr. Meyer took a picture of the family group, some twenty in all, representing four generations. They consented to raise the bride's veil but she might not be with her husband—the place for the women is in the rear if they are permitted to appear at all. Even the mother of the family was not permitted to sit beside her husband.

Jan. 18—Frs. Price, Ford, and Gauthier set off on another missionary journey, this time to a more distant district than on the previous one and they expect to be gone a week, or perhaps more.

Jan. 19—Fr. Walsh has turned nurse to the boy next door who is down with what the Protestant doctor says is malignant malaria. He probably has tuberculosis

along with it, as his father is consumptive, and takes absolutely no precautions. It is the same all through this country. There are plenty of Chinese doctors, wise-looking as owls, with their few beneficial herbs and numerous nostrums, but their knowledge of anatomy and bodily processes is very imperfect while they know nothing of preventive precautions. But we are not inclined to be too critical when we recall that such a disease as consumption is far from being under control even in America and that it is difficult to get people even there to take the proper precautions for the safeguarding of health.

The Protestants have taken up medical mission work most energetically, making it the basis, in a large measure, of their propaganda. In fact, I believe that without it they could do very little outside of the large centers like Canton, where their influence is manifested also in education. Not only have they established hospitals and brought over doctors who are at the same time engaged in propaganda, but they are training the natives, men and women, and having them trained in America, as doctors and, at the same time, disseminators of Protestant teaching—at least as opponents of Catholicity.

We asked the doctor what would be his fee for calling to see the boy. "Well," he said, "we're both here to help the Chinese, though *we* think we're better than you and *you* think you're better than we. But anyhow, you're better than these pagans here, and we're all white men and Americans, so I'll make it half the usual rate." The usual rate for outside calls is from one to three dollars, according to the ability of the patient to pay.

Again I would say, "Let no one excuse his own inactivity in regard to the missions by saying that the Protestant missionaries

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are, on the whole, insincere, and that their doctors are only hired. We do not expect of them, of course, the self-immolation of the Catholic missionary, but many of them have spent their lives here and of the Protestant doctors we have met every one was a militant Protestant, with the American desire to get results.

And they do get results. Perhaps not spiritual ones—their teaching is too vague and their discipline too lax for that—but in their educational work they are going to instil into the minds of thousands and hundreds of thousands of Chinese children, who are bound to be a power, perhaps the power, in the next generation, a deep contempt for the Catholic Church as an out-of-date institution, a bar to progress, and as much a hindrance, as far as she is able, to China's development, as the old fogies who want no changes from the ways of their fathers.

What are Catholics, and American Catholics particularly, going to do to prove to the Chinese in a practical way that such a notion of the Church is false? They are a people who can be appealed to only by practical examples set before their eyes and affecting them directly. They are not going to be reasoned into the Church—they are not capable of it. And even among races more highly gifted it has not been found an efficacious means. Even among them the "beginnings of faith," the channels of the first graces, have been an act of charity, a good example, a simple devotion that appealed not so much to the intellect as to the heart.

Jan. 21—Dispensary work is not all smooth sailing. The Chinese are evidently prejudiced in favor of their own doctors. At least, the family next door called in the Chinese doctor after the American one, and the father brought back the quinine, saying that the boy no longer needed it.

Jan. 22—The missionaries returned in the evening, sooner than they had expected because Fr. Gauthier had an attack of malaria. Then, too, it would have been rather dangerous to go further as the pirates had just recently pillaged the two other villages that they had intended visiting. As it was, they had a guard of soldiers in one part of the journey. However, it was more for the mandarin of the district to be able to say that he had taken precautions for their safety than anything else, because it is well known that when the pirates attack a place where the soldiers are not strong the latter simply hide or run away. A town on the West River was attacked by a band of three hundred two weeks ago. The soldiers in the town hid, but were found by the pirates and one or two were shot. A police patrol boat was going down the river at the time but the pirates fired a few shots from the bank and the patrol considered it unwise to stop.

The missionaries gave a glowing account of at least three of the villages that they visited. The people are simple and illiterate. Fr. Price had a watch with a luminous dial and the men held it to their ears to hear it tick and opened their eyes wide when it glared at them in the dark. Fr. Gauthier had established missions here and baptized a number of persons, usually men, and now it seems that grace has been working for all the people of these villages, more than six hundred, have asked for

instruction. One village, though poor, has collected two hundred dollars toward the building of a chapel and offered a desirable site on a hilltop, while another also gave a site.

There should be a resident priest in this district. Fr. Gauthier had expected it to be more flourishing, but it has been visited only three times in ten years! Can any of those who say that there is so much missionary work to do "at home" point to any such harvest as that, all ready to gather? We shall send men and women catechists to these places at once but what we need most is priests. We have seen but a small part of our district! What a need must we not expect to find when we have covered it all! Yet it has probably but one two-hundredth of China's population.

Jan. 26—Sunday—Fr. Gauthier has so much improved that he could preach at Mass this morning but it will be some time before he can undertake another mission journey.

We are going to open our schools, one for boys and one for girls, after the Chinese New Year, about the middle of February. For the present they will be in two of the small houses that belong to the Mission. This will give an opportunity of instructing the children in Christian doctrine (even some pagans that will come) and of training them to sing for Mass and Benediction. But we have no organ. Enough said!

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From Friends of Our Exiles

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I make a special intention for your first missionaries every morning in my Holy Communion, having begun with the day they left Maryknoll. May the dear Infant Jesus protect them! —Pa

Rest assured of my prayers for your missionaries. If any one deserves prayers they certainly do, for the sacrifices they have made and for the ones they will be called upon to make. I shall pray for them every day. —Conn.

I shall always treasure the Maryknoll calendar of 1919. Your four missionaries are Four Kings instead of three. Surely they have followed their star. May the bright rays of their faith and zeal shine forever! —Ohio.

It is good to know that we have our own American missionaries fighting God's cause among the heathens. I cannot do much to help them in a material way but I am, and please God, shall ever do my very best in the spiritual line, and continue to interest the children in the work of the foreign missions. —Me.

Your nice review which is always so interesting, will become even more so now that Maryknoll has crossed the Pacific, and all letters from our American brothers will be read with joy not only in America but also in China.

The last Canadian Franciscan arrived in Yokohama this month. He speaks English as if he were brought up in the United States, as in fact the other six Canadians of this vicariate do, more or less. It is good, for it shows that we belong to the Catholic Church, and not to the French Catholic Church, as some style it. It ought to be better known that nearly half of the great American army was Catholic.

—Shantung, China.

Of course, if you change your address, you know it—but our stencil banger has not been instructed to impress this fact on the face of your steel card. And this must be done.

The Knoll A-Greening

THE Knoll is a-greening as we write and the birds are chirping. The Hudson seems to have come nearer to us as we look out upon it through this clear late April light and we say to ourselves, "It is good for us to be here." But it is better to have a mountain of work to hew into building stones for the Kingdom of Heaven.

Friends who see Maryknoll for the first time are invariably surprised at its extent, the number of buildings, and the distance between them. Some time ago an old Augustinian friend who came up from the metropolis to size us up urged us to get some

artist to give the public a more adequate idea of our buildings. We did not act on this suggestion, but our professor of photography got busy and without the aid of a flying machine secured the excellent photograph which appears in this number and which was taken from the roof of a neighbor's house.

The spring drive up here on Sunset Hill opened with an attempt to double the capacity of the Pork-Chop House. The original structure built on a concrete foundation and carpeted in that material might have cost one hundred and fifty dollars. That was before the war.

We engaged a reasonable builder to figure on duplicating this

hotel and he presented us with an estimate for five hundred dollars, whereupon we subtracted several porkers and forgot the addition.

But as the late Earl of Waterford used to say, "Pigs is pigs, especially in the foot and snout,"—and it is another question when the subtraction must be applied to such desirable humans as aspirants to the foreign missions.

Here is the problem which we are anxious to have our friends sit down and consider. Priests, students and auxiliaries at Maryknoll-on-Hudson number actually *fifty*. We can hardly provide for more than seventy, and it looks now as if we shall be at the limit of accommodation next Septem-



ST. TERESA'S. GARAGE. ST. MICHAEL'S. SEMINARY. SITE OF NEW SEMINARY. BARN, ETC.
ST. MARTHA'S. ST. JOSEPH'S.

A NEW AND MORE COMPLETE VIEW OF MARYKNOLL-ON-HUDSON

ber. But we cannot kill off any surplus stock and there is only one thing to do—go ahead.

This means first of all—a new structure next to what has so far been known as THE FIELD AFAR Building and which will hereafter be dignified by the title, *St. Peter's*, the first of our solid structures and a centre of administration.

The new building will be named for St. Paul, Apostle—and it will house several energies, including heat, light and physical power, along with equipment for sending epistles to the Catholic world.

St. Peter's has been paid for. What shall we do to provide St. Paul's? Suggestions are in order.

Broken sets of breviaries are very welcome at Maryknoll. Have you one such, not in use?

THE FIELD AFAR propaganda opened merrily after the period of silence imposed by Government regulations. We were glad to feel that even if well-intentioned but poor payers did fall off our subscription list we could now by extra effort find others to replace them, and this we have been doing.

The returned chaplain crossed over a few States into Michigan to console with THE FIELD AFAR the dry of that State; while *Fr. Sandy*, who when a student was addicted to writing hot Scotch poetry, went over to New Jersey and squeezed the Oranges almost dry.

Fr. Sandy as a Maryknoll propagandist is a marked success. Guileless, tireless, sleepless (at times), and fearless, he never returns penniless. Everybody to whom he talks must do or die, and he can map out enough work to keep an office force of twenty on the jump for a month after one order. We sometimes ask ourselves if the victims are as satisfied as we are with our *Sandy* father, and we often say, "More power to him—I wish we had a dozen like him!"



THIS MARYKNOLL RIG, WITHOUT THE HORSE, WAS BOUGHT FROM A NEAPOLITAN, VIOLENT PETER. THE PRICE PAID WAS FIVE DOLLARS, NAME INCLUDED

To *Fr. Deffrennes* of Fukushima Maryknoll owes special thanks for the Departure Bell, that once served a Buddhist temple and now hangs on the Seminary porch at Maryknoll waiting for the "next group." *Fr. Deffrennes* writes in a recent letter:

You can't imagine how happy I was to know that my bell had sounded the hour of the first Departure! May it sound many, many! Its voice is not beautiful but the ears of apostles must get used to unpleasant sounds.

Students at Maryknoll, it is noticed spend little for personal needs, and give, whenever they have the wherewithal, to any floating need that touches our front steps. A mite-box was found recently on the Treasurer's desk and within it, in addition to \$1.50 was a small slip of paper marked, "From a student."

A visitor to our town saw:

1. *New York Central*
2. *Sing Sing Prison*
3. *Ossining Bank*
4. *Field Afar Office*
5. *Maryknoll Seminary*

Here's how he characterized them:

1. *Ossining station*
2. *Damnation*
3. *Admiration*
4. *Inspiration*
5. *Salvation*

WHY?

To winnow in a harvest time the golden grain
Of souls; to labor suffer, and then die,
Despising earthly gain;
To tell the Name of Him
Who bore such cruel pain
As tongue cannot express;
To raise an humble fane
For Him; to feel the cooling rain
Of His sweet blessings;
Some portion of His blighted vineyard
to regain.

—A Maryknoller.



ST. JOSEPH'S—PROUD TO BE NO LONGER A MERE BARN

The day following his installation Bishop Gibbons of Albany, signed dimissorials for the ordination of two Maryknoll students to the priesthood.

Wanted—Some cassocks, not beyond use, for Maryknoll seminarians; also some plain square yoke surplices.

Yes, we take Thrift Stamps and we are glad to get them. Those that are coming now are helping to erect the first portion of the new Vénard Apostolic College, near Scranton.

Through Clark's Green Post Office.



DOES THIS SIGN BECKON TO AN ASPIRANT APOSTLE AMONG OUR READERS?

IN these days of history making even the Vénard is not exempt. A memorable ceremony took place here last week, and a long cherished hope of the Juniors began to materialize when Bishop Hoban of Scranton, surrounded by an enthusiastic group, dug the first shovelful of earth from the site of our new college. This structure, fireproof throughout and four stories high, is expected to furnish, when complete, ample accommodations for all our future needs.

It was with grateful hearts that a *Te Deum*, born both of thanksgiving and of hope, was afterwards intoned.

Owing to the financial limits of our purse strings the present building operations do not include the chapel, although its plans are complete. Some day, however, and we hope it is not far distant, there will be at the Vénard a beautiful memorial chapel, an expression of gratitude for God's blessings, from Mr.—, or Mrs.—, or Miss— of—.

Pending this happy event we plan to make the large study hall serve also our needs as chapel, for, judging by the number of applications already received, the present chapel will be splendidly crowded next year.

Looking forward to attractive grounds, when the smoke of the builders shall have died away, an extensive nursery has recently been laid out, comprising oaks and poplars, elms, birches, sycamores, and shrubbery of various kinds. In a few years these trees, already of good size, will be transplanted to their final destination about the walks and paths and along the new roads.

Speaking of trees reminds us of our poultry. During the last few months Brother Albert, our official Ornithologist, past Grand Generalissimo of the allied Biddies, has had to combat an insidious Bolshevism that infected all the hens and manifested itself in an infinite series of eggless days. We are privileged to announce that discipline and efficiency have now been restored, and that the eggly returns have been climbing: February, 1075 eggs; March, 2147; April, 3148. On April 1st, no eggs were found. Which shows how human these hens be!!! They will have their little joke.

A goodly portion of our Victory Crop has been planted. We expect to levy tribute on 125 acres, a few more than were worked last year, but the variety of fruits will not be so great. It is our hope to raise most of the feed necessary for the stock, and outside of this essential work will be limited to a "truck garden" for the community's needs. Under the expert supervision of our Agricultural Specialist, a Green Mountaineer before he became "Brother Xavier," a bumptious crop is confidently expected.

The students are busy with text and copy books, trying to make up in intensity for the time lost during the late siege of the flu. Under the inspiration of the Reverend Father who reached their last retreat, they have organized an Elocution Society, to which all belong, and are making heroic efforts to articulate and to enunciate and to pronounce in the most approved Tom-Burkian style.

During recreation periods attention seems about evenly divided between the Great American Game, and the efforts of some would-be navigators to construct a canoe and a rowboat. A portion of the barn looks like a stranded dry dock, and rivalry between the two crews is keen. The ultimate buoyancy of the crafts is far from certain, and neither company is confident enough to call its creation "Ivory Soap." Behind it all is the missionary spirit that will one day, perhaps, be building boats for a voyage up the Yangtse-kiang or down the Si-kiang. Who can say?

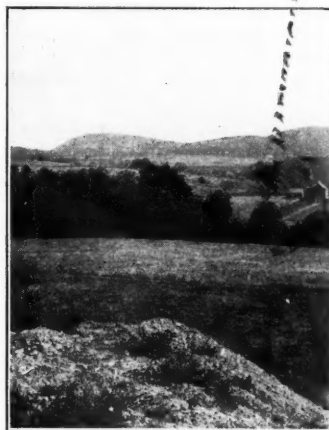
The joyful Feast of Easter was celebrated at the Vénard with the prescribed solemnity. How impressive it ever is, especially to those who would

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be missionaries for pagan souls! Christmas is the great feast to one who has the Faith, but to the pagan convert the greatest of all is Easter, when Our Saviour conclusively proved His Divinity by raising Himself from the dead. Truly is the Resurrection the fundamental dogma of our faith. In the words of St. Paul, "If Christ be not risen again, then is our preaching vain." How sad, and yet how true, is the reverse, that the preaching to many is in vain, for those who hear will not believe that Christ is risen. At the same time, however, we cannot but feel that such unbelievers have "had their chance," that, if they do not believe, "it is their own fault." How infinitely sadder to think of the countless numbers, in the best of will and dispositions, who would gladly embrace the true Faith did they so much as hear of it, but who go through life without the faith and hope that makes its trials bearable, because they "have not so much as heard whether there be a Holy Ghost."

God grant an ever increasing number of vocations among our American boys and girls, to bring the light of the true faith, the story of the Risen Christ, the hope of their own resurrection, to the unhappy pagans of China and other heathen lands! God prosper the Vénard to the same holy mission!



IN THE LOVELY SPRING TIME—AMONG THE SCRANTON HILLS



NOTES FROM
THE MARYKNOLL
MISSION CIRCLES.

MARY'S Month—the most beautiful of the year! May it bring abundant blessings to the friends of her Knoll and inspire every Circler with a yet deeper affection for Our Lady of the Missions!

The trees and shrubs have burst into blossom. The tiny seed that has been dormant all winter pushes its way eagerly through the soft earth. Everywhere there is Life.

Maryknoll seed—mission interest—has it taken root near you? Have you talked Maryknoll and the foreign missions? Have you said a daily prayer—one "Hail Mary"—for the spread of the mission spirit? Have you interested your friends in THE FIELD AFAR?

Not every seed you scatter will bear fruit, for some falls on "stony ground." Or again it may be that you will not see the harvest, for "it is for one man to sow, and for another to reap." But, regardless of the harvest, be generous in scattering the seed. Make Mary's Month a Mission Month. Every day give a thought to her work at Maryknoll, speak of it to some one. And of the seed you thus plant some will fall on good ground and bring forth fruit a hundred fold.

You would like to form a Maryknoll Mission Circle, but have not the time? Why not interest your companions at daily work? The secretaries of *St. Bridget's Circle*, Worcester, Mass., and *Maryknoll Circle*, Brooklyn, N.Y. have done this very successfully. Each of these groups has a membership of more than forty who are actively interested in all that concerns Maryknoll.

A Liberty Bond (\$50) is acceptable as payment for a Perpetual Membership in the Catholic Foreign Mission Society.

One of our Circles has an idea—and it is a "brilliant"—the best of many good ones suggested.

This Circle has discovered that through the failure of subscribers to renew, several hundreds of people are in danger of losing THE FIELD AFAR, and THE FIELD AFAR is in danger of losing the subscribers. This Circle, therefore, will kill, or rather help keep alive, two birds with one stroke. Its members will take a list of "delinquents" in their neighborhoods and save the situation for both sides. There is no telling how far this movement will develop if it proves successful.

A blessing on this Propaganda Circle! We are not surprised at its zeal for the cause, because its center and circumference lie in Philadelphia.

Wanted—Circles to co-operate with Maryknoll in a special effort to help good subscribers to stay on our Field Afar lists.

New Maryknoll Circles—four of them! We shall watch with interest the growth of these spring shoots:

The *Blessed Sacrament Circle No. 1*, Newark, N. J., plans to make altar linens and towels.

The *Théophane Vénard Circle*, Waterbury, Conn., is made up of propagandists. These Circlers, the sophomore class of Notre Dame Academy, have already secured more than fifty new readers for THE FIELD AFAR and are now at work looking up renewals.

"Yours for a promising Circle," writes the secretary of *St. Vincent de Paul* Maryknoll Circle recently organized at Point Pleasant, N.J. We agree with her and so will you after you have read this extract from her letter:

There are sixteen of us. Each one has "adopted" one of your first four American missionaries and has promised to pray especially for him. Friday is Mission Day on which all receive Holy Communion in a body and give a special remembrance to Maryknoll's pioneers.

EXECUTE YOUR OWN WILL

Take Out An Annuity

The Catholic Foreign Mission Society will accept gifts large or small, binding itself to pay to the donor, during his or her life, a reasonable interest, annually or semi-annually as desired.

Persons whose income is small can in this way secure more than they could through ordinary investments.

At the same time they avoid the danger of will contests and are certain that their principal will go to a worthy cause.

We shall strive to do "our bit" not so much materially, for our means are rather meager, but in a spiritual way by our incessant prayers.

And in New Haven, Conn., there is the *Chi-Rho Mission Circle* which promises to be one of Maryknoll's "Busiest Bees." The secretary tells of its organization:

The *Chi-Rho Mission Circle* consists of forty members, women and girls from several parishes in the city. At our next meeting we shall make sets of the small altar linens according to the samples you sent.

I am sure I can dispose of at least thirty mite-boxes. Three women have enrolled their husbands as "contributing members," paying regular Circle dues of ten cents a month. Two girls have offered to make fudge and sell it for their contribution—got the idea from a Methodist girl who is earning her recent pledge in that way. Fifteen of the members want *Chi-Rho* pins and more will when they see the others.

To Circlers where The Field Afar has a long list of subscribers we suggest the very practical mission idea of helping Maryknoll to keep forgetful subscribers on the Field Afar list. Does the idea strike you?

Old vestments, missals, censers, etc.—where can they be of use? This may be the question in the mind of your pastor or of the secretary of your altar society.

Maryknoll will be glad to get them. They can be used here or on the missions. Circlers, keep your eyes open.

And surplices—there are still more needed at Maryknoll's Seminary. A pattern will be sent upon application to the Circle Director.

DOES Maryknoll encourage stamp-gathering? This question comes often and the answer is, *Yes and No*.

At the place called Maryknoll there are two separate organizations: (1) The Catholic Foreign Mission Seminary of America and (2) The Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic.

The Seminary owes not a little of its success to the Sisters and the Seminary has turned over to this band of self-sacrificing women the gathering of stamps and all the profit that can be derived therefrom. Stamps, therefore, should be sent hereafter not to the Seminary but to

**The Foreign Mission Sisters
Maryknoll, Ossining, N. Y.**

And here are the suggestions which the Sisters make to those who are gathering or would gather cancelled stamps:

Do not soak the stamp off the envelopes. The stamp buyers prefer to do this themselves.

Cut all stamps leaving a quarter-inch margin of paper.

Keep separate foreign stamps and U. S. stamps of large denomination, e. g. 20c—and when you have a pound send it by parcel post.

Do not send to Maryknoll less than five pounds of ordinary U. S. stamps or more than twenty-five pounds at one time.

If you reach twenty-five pounds notify us and we will instruct you where and how to send.

At Maryknoll we use potato sacks to receive our used-stamps, and when a sack is full we send it off to the buyer.

WHAT IS A CIRCLE?

A Maryknoll Mission Circle is a group of women who meet to work and pray for Maryknoll and the foreign missions. It is a club which combines duty and pleasure, for it is based on the realization that all have a share in the responsibility of fulfilling the message of Christ, "Going, teach all nations." Its fundamental principle is that of sacrifice—sacrifice of a part of the time and money which would otherwise be devoted to pleasure.

The members, varying in number from five to twenty-five, meet monthly. Circle business is attended to, stories or topics relative to mission needs are read and discussed, and some work for Maryknoll—generally sewing—is done. Each member also promises a daily prayer for the cause of foreign missions.

Each Circle may have a particular line of activity, such as: the collection of cancelled stamps, tinfoil and old jewelry; the spreading of *THE FIELD AFAR* as a means to arouse mission interest; the distribution of mite boxes; the sewing of household or altar linens for Maryknoll or the Maryknoll Mission in China.

Monthly dues of five or ten cents are applied to the education of a student at Maryknoll, or to any special Maryknoll fund in which the members are interested, or for associate membership in the Catholic Foreign Mission Society. The spiritual benefits of membership are applicable to the living or the dead.

Other Friends Afar.

CHINA.

Fr. Chabloz, the young Jesuit missionary who sailed for the Far East in company with the Maryknoll Superior, wrote lately after a visit to Wuhu (which sounds like an Indian yell):



FATHER CHABLOZ, S. J., IN HARNESS

How short the time since both of us boarded the *Tenyo Maru*, but how many things have happened in that time! How eventful is this new life of a missionary!—at times full of sorrow, then again full of consolation, but always marked by a special protection of Divine Providence.

I have been for a full month at Wuhu, together with some of my brethren. We enjoyed absolute rest, in order to think and to prepare ourselves for the struggles of the coming year of apostleship. It was quite different from the life I led in the interior. At Wuhu one experiences a return to civilized life: here in my own station I am in a semi-savage country, often visited by robbers and cut off from intercourse with fellow-missioners. However, I am quite content and very happy to be able to have a share in spreading the Kingdom of Christ.

I always read *THE FIELD AFAR* with the greatest interest and will do so with still more now that your American missionaries are really in China.

Thanks to an observant and generous reader, we sent some months ago to Sr. Xavier, of Chusan, China, a gift that will help her to buy and fill a pest-hole at one corner of what she calls home. This noble woman expresses her gratitude and adds:

I am sending you our warmest thanks, for these children certainly owe you much, it is they who benefit by all arrangements made. They have not forgotten your visit here and daily pray for you and your great work.

On that memorable morning of Sept. 21 Mass was offered in our little chapel for Maryknoll and the young Apostles starting forth that day to bring the light of the true Faith to the unfortunate millions awaiting them. May Our Lady, Star of the Sea, guide and guard them during their long journey, and bring them safe to their new home—their new *Maryland*. The commencement will be very hard, but courage will not be wanting, and thousands of prayers are being offered for them and their mission field.

Thank you for claiming prayers for Sr. Clare Fielding in your August number. We were as sisters since our childhood and when she came out to China with me on my return from Europe in 1908 I much hoped a long spell of mission work lay before her, but God willed it otherwise.

For those of our subscribers who like *The Field Afar* well enough to spread it among their friends, we have a handy little Record Book with space for names of twelve new subscribers. Send for one.

The German missionaries whose expulsion from China was threatened lately, will remain in that country, and thus the splendid organization of the Fathers of the Divine Word, as well as the work of the German Franciscans, will be preserved and allowed to develop. This is good news for all Catholic missionaries and for various Protestant denominations who, by the proposed drastic ruling, would have suffered a much greater loss than the Catholics.



A CATECHIST AND HIS HOPEFULS

The privilege is yet open for some devout client of St. Francis Xavier—an individual, a parish, or a religious society—to plant (a few thousand dollars will do it) a school on the island where the great apostle died.

We have a half-million dollars' worth of our own needs just now, but we don't mind telling you that St. Michael's Church in Peking is looking for a statue of St. Patrick.

Is your watch always on the move? All hands working? If not send it to us—not for repairs, but for the pile that melts into something useful.

And this is how it works:

Over a year ago, when the Maryknoll Superior was in Peking, China, the large-minded Bishop expressed his desire to have in that city a group of English-speaking priests—Lazarists, like himself—to take charge of English-speaking Catholics and also to start an English-speaking school.

The American Lazarists were not in a position to accept the invitation, but Bishop Jarlin secured a little group, one from Australia and two from Ireland. The first one from Ireland, the Rev. Patrick O'Gorman, honored Maryknoll with a visit on his way through to his new field.

Fr. O'Gorman is a man of considerable experience, open and sympathetic, burning with zeal for souls and bound to do much good with the least possible friction wherever he may be placed. Maryknoll liked Fr. O'Gorman and was sorry that his visit was so short.

A day or two after Fr. O'Gorman had left to continue his journey to Peking, the following letter arrived from the Atlantic coast city known as Boston:

Excuse the liberty I take in writing to you. I am about to leave the United States for China, to work on the Rockefeller Institute at Peking, which will take about three years to finish. As I take my family and some men from Boston with me I shall be very grateful for any information which you can give about the church and priests in Peking.

Assurances were given to the writer, and arrangements made for the meeting of this American group with a large-hearted priest—in Peking, if not on the boat that carries them all across.

And that is how it works.

We have been pleased to learn that many priests are now following with marked interest the Maryknoll Mission Letters that are appearing monthly in *The Ecclesiastical Review*. One writes:

I believe that these Letters will be as eagerly looked for as was *My New Curate* when that book of Canon Sheehan's first appeared in the pages of the *Review*.

KOREA.

Bishop Mutel of Korea writes that through the influenza his vicariate lost a young Korean priest and two native sisters.

No news has come directly to Maryknoll from Korea since the disturbances were reported in that country. News reports speak of massacres by the Japanese of thousands of Koreans, and Protestant missionaries are accused of encouraging the natives to oppose the Japanese domination. Where is the truth? We have yet to learn it.

CEYLON.

The beloved Bishop of Jaffna, Ceylon, Rt. Rev. Henri Joulain, O. M. I., has passed recently to the reward of a faithful missionary. We find the *Jaffna Catholic Guardian* filled with tributes to his beautiful character.

WANTED—by the Maryknoll missionaries: assurance from the homeland that they may engage the services of twelve catechists. Will you take one, at fifteen dollars a month?

Fr. Meyer writes for a camera but is particular about the make and the size.

VÉNARD NEEDS.

Missal and stand.

Cruets.

Corporals, purificators, amices, towels.

Thurible and boat (Gothic preferred).

Copes: red, white, green, black; with humeral veils to match.

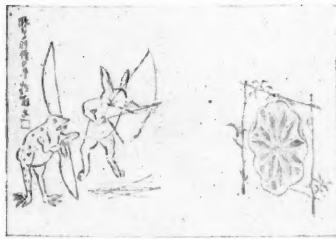
Plain vestments: red, green, violet, black.

Solemn Mass vestments: red, green, violet, black.

Don't forget that on the *Laundry and Power-House* we are hoping to place these precious words:

Erected during the World War, from the Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps of American Catholics, in whose hearts love of Country is founded on the love of God.

Hitting the Bull's Eye.



BURSES have been getting a boost this past month, which has added over \$4,000 to the total already on hand and invested.

The *Notre Dame (Namur) Sisters*, from Boston westward, have poured a steady stream in to the box labeled, *Blessed Julia Billiard Maryknoll Burse*, which in one year has risen to \$3,400. Better yet, the gathering of funds has stirred other thoughts:

After reading the pamphlet on *The Catholic Church in China* I thought I should like very much to go there. Perhaps Mother Julia's daughters will be there yet. We read in her life that she used to say we would be ready to go to the ends of the earth to save one soul. Please give me a share in Maryknoll's prayers, that I may have a little of Mother Julia's love and zeal for souls.

And we look upon it as a very important gain that the *Christian Brothers*, to whom so many Catholic boys look for inspiration, have of their own initiative come to realize the place of Maryknoll in the Catholic life of this nation and in their own activities. A beginning has been made, as this letter will indicate:

April, 1919, marks the hundredth anniversary of the death of Saint La Salle.

How can this event and the memory of this good Saint, be more nobly commemorated than by beginning a Burse in his honor? We therefore enclose \$100 from the boys of this school wherewith to start the *Saint La Salle Burse*.

Of course this amount will go to the bottom of your list, but please God it will not stay there long. If all the admirers of St. La Salle, especially the "Brothers' Boys" of this country, give a hand this Burse should quickly rise in the scale, until, completed, it crowns the work and provides for the support of one more missionary for fields afar.

Very sincerely yours, Brother —

To the efforts of a group of young women organized at St. Charles' Church, Philadelphia, the St. Columba Burse owes a recent rise in figures and these efforts have stimulated two further gifts, one from Raphoe (Ire) and priests and another from the Bishop.

Fr. Innocent, O. M. Cap, enclosing an addition to the Burse of St. Francis of Assisi, writes this suggestion:

Inform all the members of the Third Order of St. Francis to contribute towards this burse until the required amount is reached. Our Tertiaries are certainly noble and generous people. The Third Order does an enormous amount of good without noise.

The canonization of Joan of Arc has brought a reminder that a few years ago a well-known French priest, who is also an American citizen, started a Maryknoll burse in honor of the Maid of Orleans. This burse as yet lacks some twenty dollars before it can be placed on our printed list of growing funds, but we feel that the new Saint will inspire her friends to add honor through her name to God's glory.

If you wish not to be bothered with annual payments, send, within the space of two years, fifty dollars for a Perpetual Membership and you will receive the Field Afar during your life.

STUDENT BURSE PROGRESS

A Burse or Foundation is a sum of money, the interest of which will support and educate, continuously, a student for the priesthood.

MARYKNOLL BURSES (Complete)	
Cardinal Farley Burse.....	\$5,000
Sacred Heart Memorial Burse.....	5,000
John L. Boland Burse.....	6,000
Blessed Sacrament Burse.....	5,000
St. Willibrord Burse.....	5,000
Providence Diocese Burse.....	5,000
Fr. Elias Younan Burse.....	5,000
Mary, Queen of Apostles Burse.....	5,000
O. L. of Miraculous Medal Burse.....	5,000
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Burse.....	5,000
Holy Trinity Burse.....	6,000
Father B. Burse.....	\$6,273.31
Bishop Doran Memorial Burse.....	5,000
St. Charles Borromeo Burse.....	5,000
St. Teresa Burse.....	*5,011
C. W. B. L. Burse.....	5,376.60
St. Thomas the Apostle Burse.....	5,000
St. Catherine of Siena Burse.....	5,000

MARYKNOLL BURSES (Incomplete)	
Abp. John J. Williams Burse.....	\$5,279.21
St. Joseph Burse.....	3,783.55
Bl. Julia Billiard Burse.....	3,586.09
St. Columba Burse.....	3,312.00
All Souls Burse.....	3,306.46
Holy Ghost Burse.....	3,305.19
Cheverus Centennial School Burse.....	3,201.12
Curé of Ars Burse.....	3,119.11
Fall River Diocese Burse.....	3,042.66
St. Patrick Burse.....	2,200.72
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Burse.....	2,041.18
Our Sunday Visitor Burse.....	2,000.00
St. Vincent de Paul Burse.....	1,945.85
Fr. Chapon Memorial Burse.....	1,664.37
Our Lady of Mercy Burse.....	1,630.74
Pius X Burse.....	1,590.00
St. Anthony Burse.....	1,382.20
Most Precious Blood Burse.....	1,346.25
Holy Child Jesus Burse.....	1,296.50
Bernadette of Lourdes Burse.....	1,220.00
St. Anne Burse.....	1,147.71
St. Dominic Burse.....	1,130.00
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Burse.....	1,039.36

Holy Eucharist Burse.....	1,018.00
Bl. Margaret Mary Burse.....	703.85
Bl. M. Sophie Barat Burse.....	678.00
St. John the Baptist Burse.....	659.33
Dunwoodie Burse.....	611.42
St. Francis of Assisi Burse.....	565.55
St. Stephen Burse.....	353.00
Susan Emery Memorial Burse.....	307.20
Duluth Diocese Burse.....	300.00
St. Agnes Burse.....	274.45
St. Lawrence Burse.....	273.25
St. Rita Burse.....	270.05
Holy Family Burse.....	262.00
St. Francis Xavier Burse.....	251.51
Immaculate Conception Burse.....	233.50
Fr. Chaminade Mem. Burse.....	218.00
Trinity Wekanduit Burse.....	190.00
Our Lady of Lourdes Burse.....	175.00
St. Boniface Burse.....	155.00
Children of Mary Burse.....	125.00
Our Lady of Victory Burse.....	120.00
All Saints' Burse.....	105.00
St. La Salle Burse.....	100.00

Your gold and silver is cankered and the rust of them shall be for a testimony against you.—Jos. 5, 1. (Better send them to Joe Junk.)

VÉNARD BURSES (Incomplete.)

Little Flower Burse.....	2,721.49
Blessed Sacrament Burse.....	2,167.54
Bl. Théophane Vénard Burse.....	1,529.00
Sodality Bl. Virgin Mary Burse.....	1,000.00
C. Burse.....	860.00
Sacred Heart of Jesus Burse.....	
(Reserved).....	500.00
St. Aloysius Burse.....	367.00

Any burse or share in a burse may be donated in memory of the deceased.

A new burse may not be entered on the list until it has reached \$100.

+ On hand but not operative

* \$1,000 on hand but not operative

NEW PERPETUAL MEMBERS

Living—Rev. Friends (2); Mrs. M. T. D.; M. B.; Mr. B.; H. O'C.; M. M.; N. M. C.; J. J. K.; E. M. D.; M. M.; M. M., Sr.; M. M. Jr.; M. M.; J. M.; A. M.; S. M.; M. F.; A. M. F.; M. A. R.; A. McC.; B. E. S.; F. A. R.; P. N.; C. N.; L. E. L.; L. J.; A. J. H.; J. M. M.; P. H.; M. H.; S. J. E.; E. F.; A. V. W.; J. V. C.; K. R. W.; P. B.; K. S.; A. M. S.; M. J. B. E. D.; A. T. F.; Mrs. H. V. B.

Deceased—Priests of the Newark Diocese; Ann Kavanagh; Patrick L. O'Toole; Ann McKenna; Lt. Harry McIntosh; James Hagerty; Mary Hagerty; Catherine Costello; George Rick; Caroline Rick; Patrick Ford; Mary Ford; Mary Gargan; Peter Ward; Catherine Ward; Wm. J. Ward; Egeling family; Victoria Clark; Jeremiah Murphy; Mary Shotroff; Nargaret Horan; Thomas Tuite; Elizabeth Tuite; Patrick Tuite; Fannie McDede; Priv. Albert Watson; Ellen A. Dinges; Alice McMahon; Emma Roan; Catherine Lieman; Souls in Purgatory.

A thousand Masses are offered yearly for our Associate Members, living or dead. Every subscriber to THE FIELD AFAR becomes a member of the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of Maryknoll.

FROM YOUR STATE AND OTHERS

State	Gift	New Subscribers
Arkansas.....	\$ 3.00	2
California.....	285.25	12
Colorado.....	1.00	1
Connecticut.....	403.81	25
Delaware.....	10.00	
District of Columbia.....	101.50	5
Georgia.....	16.00	
Idaho.....	6.00	1
Illinois.....	62.00	7
Indiana.....	15.00	11
Iowa.....	4.12	
Kansas.....	125.00	1
Kentucky.....	2.70	1
Louisiana.....	1.00	3
Maine.....	4.50	1
Maryland.....	30.50	1
Massachusetts.....	†1,291.03	69
Michigan.....	140.28	91
Minnesota.....	210.27	7
Missouri.....	30.98	30
Nebraska.....	57.50	2
New Hampshire.....	18.00	3
New Jersey.....	675.34	2250
New Mexico.....		1
New York.....	†2,543.00	158
North Dakota.....	7.00	
Ohio.....	501.75	3
Oklahoma.....		1
Oregon.....	25.00	
Pennsylvania.....	926.00	21
Rhode Island.....	341.79	10
South Carolina.....	2.00	2
South Dakota.....	43.50	3
Texas.....	12.51	2
Vermont.....	7.00	
Virginia.....	1.00	1
Washington.....		1
West Virginia.....	20.64	
Wisconsin.....	72.00	2
Wyoming.....	55.00	1
FROM BEYOND THE BORDERS		
Canada.....	158.75	17
Ireland.....	2.50	1
Philippine Islands.....	500.00	
Scotland.....	10.00	

Total of New Subscribers

2,747

† \$100 annuity
† 1,188.30 annuity

The cross and diploma *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* has been conferred by His Holiness, Pope Benedict XV, on Mr. Guy Ellis who for fifteen years has been instrumental in organizing the Propagation of the Faith Society in England.

Turn a Liberty Bond into a Maryknoll Perpetual.

In his Annual Report, Father Schneider, rector of Holy Trinity Church of Brooklyn, kindly expresses his readiness to forward, for his parishioners, gifts for charitable purposes, also subscriptions for Catholic publications, among which he mentions THE FIELD AFAR. Fr. Schneider thus quite properly instructs his parishioners:

In your gifts for charity or religion you should observe good order. First comes your parish; then the good causes recommended by your Bishop or parish priest, especially those for which extra collections are announced; then the others. In doubt which good cause to prefer, you'll do well to consult the priest.



A CHOICE FAMILY BUNCH IN THE PHILIPPINES.
(Where is mother?)

MARYKNOLL LAND SALES

(Original Purchase)

Total area.....4,450,000 ft.
Sold up to April 10, 1919...2,813,263 ft.
For sale at 1 cent a foot....1,636,737 ft.

VÉNARD LAND SALES

Total area at The Venard...6,000,000 ft.
Sold up to April 10, 1919...1,179,804 ft.
For sale at ½ cent a foot....4,820,196 ft.

To you who would help spread the Faith and who lack material alms we say that your *spiritual alms* will under such conditions be of even greater value. Send for an *Apostles' Aid* leaflet.

We seem to be always thanking priests and writing of their co-operation, but the subject is a worthy one, and the Catholic faithful are edified at the example of their leaders. We recall, however, few if any instances of priestly sympathy that have impressed us more than the following:

The rector of my cathedral, the Rev. J. B. Dutton, was a victim of the "flu" and passed to his eternal reward on January 23. He was a young man, only thirty years of age, capable and zealous, with a bright future before him. He took a great interest in foreign mission work and in Maryknoll in particular. He was a subscriber to THE FIELD AFAR and in Toronto, before coming here, he formed Circles to help your work. Among his books I found much literature bearing on foreign missions.

You will be pleased to learn that such a good friend did not forget you in death. He was not rich in the goods of this world, as you will readily understand, but in his last moments he thought of you. Out of the little money that he left (less than \$200), he directed that I send you \$55. Though the amount be small it goes to you with the good-will of a devoted priest and with the assurance of his prayers in heaven.

Devotedly in Christ,

Alfred Sinnott,
Archbishop of Winnipeg.

IN your charity pray for the souls of:

Rev. L. J. Stenger	Adrian Richmond
Rev. J. B. Dutton	Monica McDonald
Rev. J. L. Sullivan	Kate Creegan
Rev. J. A. Kelly	Elizabeth Creegan
Rev. Theo. Bamberg	Genevieve Brady
Rev. G. F. Dean	Mrs. C. Netzel
Lt. Jos. Dineen	Mary Murphy
Mrs. J. D. Buckley	J. H. Schrader
Anna Denny	Edward Walsh
Mrs. M. Urban	James Ward
Beatrice Goughran	Joseph Kelly
Teresa Smyth	James O'Donnell

Observations in the Orient.

The final touches on a new building seem interminable, and the same condition applies to our new book.

Observations in the Orient is supposed to be making an impression "all over the country" as we write—and the only impression that it has made so far is by its absence. We might offer excuses, but we prefer to say that with earlier experiences in such ventures, we should have made due allowance for delays. We cannot see, however, any reason why it should not be showing its fair face to the world very soon after these lines are read.

Do you like to know the thoughts of great men? We have recorded those of three young men who only a few decades ago made the supreme sacrifice of martyrdom for God. Their pithy sentences will fill you with admiration and zeal. Ask for "Thoughts from Modern Martyrs," forty cents the copy, postpaid.

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One hundred Prayer Prints.
- For 3 new subscriptions any one of
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Stories from the Field Afar
Field Afar Tales
An American Missionary
A Modern Martyr
Théophane Vénard (in French)
The Martyr of Futuna
- For 10 new subscriptions,
Observations in the Orient
- For 15 new subscriptions,
The Maryknoll Ring (silver)
- For 25 new subscriptions,
The Maryknoll Ring (gold)

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WITH THE KNOLL TINKERS

The *Catholic Record* of London, Canada, reports that the recently organized Irish Mission Society has received its commission from the Holy See and has been assigned to Eastern Hupeh. Fr. McCarthy, the American Superior of the Irish missionaries, writes to Fr. Fraser of Almonte, Ontario:

I haven't as yet heard what arrangements are being made to send out the first band of missionaries, but I feel that they should be starting very soon, certainly before the summer. We should be able to make a beginning with about twenty priests and at the same time leave a generous supply for work at home. This work will be all important, but a large number of American priests are now joining us and as soon as our having got our mission becomes known we are sure to have more.

On a recent train trip to Albany we found, in a local evening paper, the following extract from the will of Msgr. Duffy, of Rensselaer in the Albany diocese:

As it has been my most ardent wish ever since my ordination that I might die without money, I have reserved only what I consider barely sufficient for my funeral expenses. I have always thought it better from every point of view to do quietly, during my life, any good in my power with whatever means might come into my possession, than to leave it to others to do for me after death. Accordingly, I have made it a regular practice at all times to expend in works of charity and religion whatever remained over and above my support from every source of income. The principal of what came to me by inheritance has gone the same way.

There is no mention of Masses for the repose of my soul, as several years since I deposited a sum with an ecclesiastical institution to be applied for this purpose. My motive for doing so was that there might be no doubt of the Masses being celebrated immediately after my death. It would most probably be otherwise if provided by will, owing to legal requirements causing delay.

The **Bureau of the Immaculate Conception**, which published several books and photo-gravures on the life of Bernadette Soubirous and the Apparitions at Lourdes, has been transferred by its founder to the Teresians of Maryknoll. Orders should be sent to

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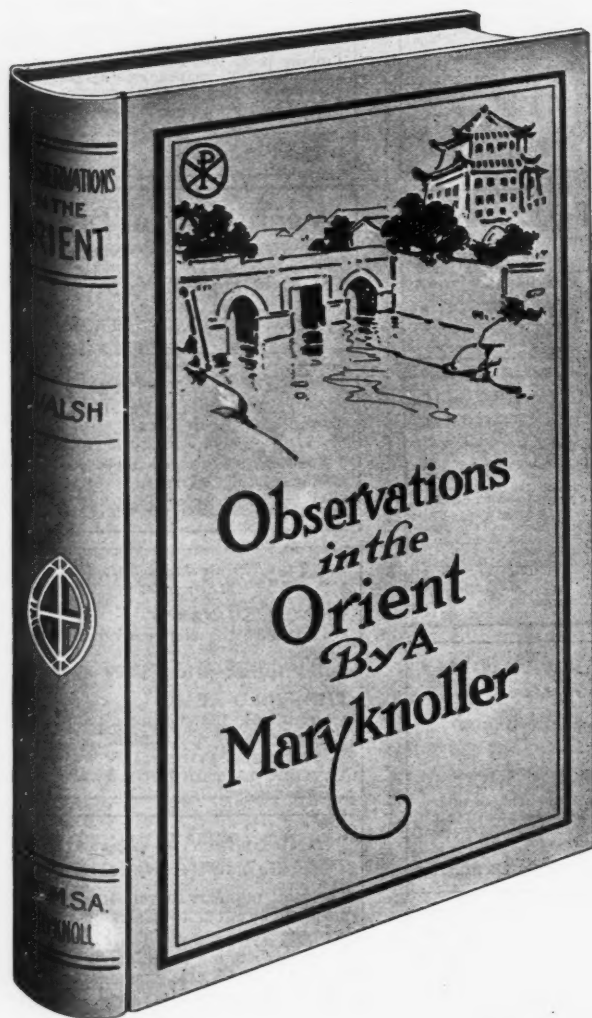
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